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Applicant: Takumi SASAKI et al. Conf.: 9843  
Appl. No.: 09/622,284 Group: 1645  
Filed: August 15, 2000 Examiner: Devi  
For: NOVEL PROPHYLACTICS/REMEDIES FOR IMMUNOPATHY

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

July 24, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed June 24, 2003, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Claims 1-13 are pending in the present application.

The Examiner has required election in the present application between:

Group I, claims 2-5 and 8-13, drawn to a modified staphylococcal enterotoxin B or a derivative thereof having an amino acid substitution at position 9, 23 or 44; and

Group II, claims 6 and 7, drawn to a modified staphylococcal enterotoxin B or a derivative thereof, having an amino acid substitution at position 41 plus 44 or 45.

For the purpose of examination of the present application, Applicants elect Group I, claims 2-5 and 8-13, together with "linking claim 1".

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Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Marc S. Weiner (Reg. No. 32,181) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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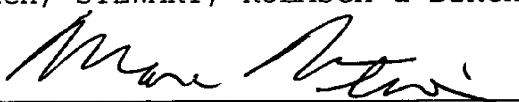
Transmitted herewith is a Reply to Restriction/Election Requirement in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Petition for \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$0.00 for the extension of time.
- ☒ No fee is required.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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